

St Mary's Weekly Bulletin 11th December 2016

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

A very warm welcome to everyone!

If you are a visitor or newcomer please introduce yourself to the clergy or a member of the congregation. Please join us for refreshments after the service.



An **induction loop system** is provided to assist hearing aid users. Please switch your hearing aid to the 'T' position.

Anyone wishing to receive Holy Communion at home, a visit or wishing to arrange a funeral please contact **David** directly.

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Norma Howie is the benefice administrator, and enquiries re baptisms and weddings should be made through her. The office is open Monday and Wednesday 8.00am - 3.30pm, Thursday 12.30pm - 3.00pm and Friday 11.30am - 2.30pm.

Services Today

No 8.00am Said Eucharist

10.00am Presiding	Sung Eucharist
Preaching	Canon Guy Buckler
Hymns	Canon Guy Buckler
Sides Duty	265, 580, 282, 938, 405
Warden	Katharine Harper
Reader	Dan Shirley
Intercessions	Melanie Henley
Offertory	Alex Bell
	Harriet Bayliss and Lillian Hepwood
Chalice	Peter Bladon
Organist	Chris Muhley
Coffee	Janet Wright and Joy West
3.00pm	Messy Christmas
	No Evening Prayer

Please pray for Ann Trustram, Sister Anne Francis of the All Saints' Sisters, Hugh, Ada and Kenneth Ferris, Patricia Land, Jessica and James Style, Bill Dell, Nancy Abraham, Paul Boggis, Fr Don Butler, Doreen and Hedley Crago, Riskala Dekki, Shirley Godson, Eileen Kemp, Evelyn Greener, Tony and Irene Mayes, Ivor Stringer, Clare Tofield-Wallington.

Please continue to pray for Malcolm Pritchard, whose funeral was in church last Thursday. Continue to pray for Helen, Jessica, William and their families in the days ahead.

Deanery prayers this month are for St Barnabas, Adeyfield, and their curry evening for men.

Please also pray for Alan, Bishop of St Albans; Richard, Bishop of Bedford; Michael, Bishop of Hertford; the Diocese of Kericho (Kenya); the parish of St Michael and All Angels, Bishop's Hatfield; young families and single people at St Mary's; Nash Mills C of E Primary School; our continuing journey through Advent; school and community carol concerts and events; an end to the violence and terror across the Middle East.

THIS WEEK

Monday 12th

	No Morning Prayer
10.00am	Working Party
2.00pm	Belswains School carol service
6.00pm	Evening Prayer
7.45pm	'Mapping' group meets at The Rectory
8.00pm	Bellringing practice

Tuesday 13th

	No Morning Prayer
10.00am	Buzzy Bees meet in the Refectory
2.00pm	Year 1 Belswains School visits the church
6.30pm	Christmas concert at Florence Longman House
7.00pm	Nash Mills School Key Stage 2 Carol Concert

Wednesday 14th

	No Morning Prayer
10.00am	Eucharist at Holy Trinity
6.00pm	Evening Prayer

Thursday 15th

9.00am	Morning Prayer
9.30am	Eucharist/study group
7.30pm	AA group meets in the Refectory
8.00pm	Home group meets at 28 Manorville Road

Friday 16th

	No Morning Prayer
10.00am	Working Party
7.00pm	Carol singing outside Sainsbury's followed by refreshments at church

Saturday 17th

	No Morning Prayer
10.00am	Saturday Café
12 noon	Burial of Ashes

Sunday 18th THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

	No 8.00am Said Eucharist
10.00am	Sung Eucharist/Youth Groups
4.30pm	Christingle service
	No Evening Prayer

NOTICES

If you wish to donate towards the cost of **flowers in church at Christmas**, please place your donation in the basket at the back of church.

An invitation has been extended to St Mary's to sing carols at The White Lion pub on Saturday 17th December at 8.00pm. Any volunteers?

The diocese is once again offering a **daily prayer and reflection for each day in Advent**. To sign up go to the diocesan website at www.stalbans.anglican.org and click on 'Live the Challenge'.

New Library: In the Refectory you will now find a collection books on Christian spirituality. Loans are for 1 month, no fees. When you take a book out or return it, please fill in the loans book. If you have any books that you no longer want, we would be keen to make them available to others. Contact Alex Bell at alexbell93@outlook.com or 07702 506631.

Christmas services at St Mary's

Sunday 18th December

4.30pm Christingle service

Saturday 24th December

(Christmas Eve)

3.30pm Crib service

11.15pm Midnight Mass

Sunday 25th December

(Christmas Day)

9.00am Said Eucharist

10.00am Sung Eucharist

Friday 30th December

7.30pm Service of Nine Lessons and Carols followed by refreshments

Sunday 1st January

(The Circumcision)

No 8.00am service

10.00am Said Eucharist